(c) and (d) Most of the new projects of Coal India Limited are producing D, E & F grades of coal. With the development of better technologies, these grades of coal are being increasingly used for power generation. Coal India Limited is in a position to meet the full coal requirements of power stations in Gujarat. Supplies to individual power stations are arranged according to coal availability and transport logistics.

Fund requirement of Coal India Limited for new project and modernisation of existing mines

3072. SHRI SATISH PRADHAN: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) what is the projection of fund requirement of Coal India Limited and its subsidiaries for taking up new projects/modernisation of mining operations/installation of modern equipments and machineries during the Eighth Plan period. Project-wise and arrangement for fundings;

(b) what is the progress of projects financed by foreign agencies upto 31st March, 1995 and fund requirements for these projects for 1995-96;

(c) whether large number of important equipments/machineries are lying idle for want of spares/being defective;

(d) if so, details thereof and action taken/proposed in the matter; and

(e) what is the performance of Coal India Limited during 1994-95 by standard parameter and targets set for 1995-96?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI AJIT KUMAR PANJA): (a) The approved 8th plan projection of fund requirement of Coal India Limited (CIL) and its subsidiaries for taking up new projects/modernisation of mining operation/installation of modern equipment and macheries is given below:—

Company	(Rs. in crores at 1991-92 prices)
E.C.L.	1910.00
B.C.C.L.	1000.00
C.C.L.	1950.00
N.C.L.	1200.00
W.C.L.	935.00
S.E.C.L.	675.00
M.C.L.	700 00
N.E.C.	50.00
C.M.P.D.I.L.	42.00
D.C.C.	8.00
C.I.L.HQ.	50.00
TOTAL :	8520.0 0

Allocation made for projects in the category of ersting, on-going and new projects as well as non-mining projects for the 8th Plan period in CIL was as follows.

(Rs. in crores)

	(at 1991-92 prices)
On-going projects	5316.20
Existing mines/completed projects	1524.27
New projects	321.80
Total mining	7162.27
Non-mining project	1357.73
TOTAL :	8520 00

Source of funding for 8th Plan out- lay for CIL is given below:—

(Rs. in crores)

	(at 1991-90 prices)
1. (a) Net Budget support	695.00
(b) Foreign Aid through Budget . . .	460.00
(c) Gross Budget support (a+b) . . .	1155.00
2. (a) Internal Resources .	4476.00
(b) Bonds . . .	000.00
(c) External Commercial borrowings . .	342.00
(d) Others . . .	547.00
(e) Total Internal and Extra-Budgetary resources (a+b+c+d)	7365.00
3. Total Outay (1c+2e) :	8520.00

(b) progress of Externally Aided on- going porjects of CIL is given below:—

Name of projects	Outlay for 1995-96 (Rs. in crore)	Status
1. Rajmahal OC (ECL) (Canadian assistance)	27.90	The project was to be completed by March 1995 as per schedule. Confirmation is awaited from company. Production is pegged down due to non-lifting of committed quantity of coal by M/S NTPC. is
2. Sonepur Bazari OC (ECL) (World Bank assistance)	25 72	The project is processing on schedule.
3. Piparwar OC (CCL) (Australian assistance)	58.68	The project would produce designed coal ioutput as per schedule. The coal preparation plant is delayed. This is now likely to be completed by Dec. 1996.
4. Khadia OC (NCL) (Russian assistance)	75.00	Progressing satisfactorly
5. Nigahi OC (NCL) (Russian assistance)	90.00	-do-
. Kottadih OC (ECL) (French assistance)	9.85	Single lift thick Seam longwall technology in collaboration with CdF France has been successfully implemented.

(c) and (d) For undertaking mining operation, Coal India Ltd. and its subsidiaries have 6922 numbers of major Heavy Earth Moving Machinery on roll. During use of these equipment, it is normal that a part of the fleet will be under different stages of break down at any given point of time. Besides, 3 nos. of longwall sets are presently idle for want of imported spares are for being damaged during mining operation, etc.

CIL and its subsidiaries regularly monitor the operation and maintenance of major heavy earth moving machinery and important mining equipment used in under ground mines. They have grown up Annual Action Plan or rehabilitation of equipment which are not in used but economically repairable. Workshop modernisation programme is also being implemented for modernisation of existing workshops and for setting up of new workshops, Modern methods of inventory management for stocking and supply/use of spares have also been introduced.

(e) Performance of Coal India Ltd. against 1994-95 targets and targets for 1995-96 is given below:—

	Target 1994-95	Actual (Provisional) 1994-95	Target 1995-96
Production (In MT)	223.00	223.16	241.00
Off-Take (Raw Coal in MT)	231.50	222 65	248.50

Unscientific coal mining

3073. SHRI BHAGABAN MAJHI: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the unscientific coal mining activities going on in several coal mines in the country;

(b) if so, the steps taken to identify such coal mines; and

(c) the steps taken to undertake the coal mining activities in a scientific and systematic way?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI AJIT KUMAR PANJA): (a) to (c) Coal Mining activity in the public sector companies is generally undertaken on the basis of detailed exploration and mine planning. However, some cases of unscientific mining are reported by agencies like Directorate General of Mines Safety (DGMS), Coal Controller. Such cases are brought to the notice of the coal companies for corrective action.

Some instances of illegal mining are also reported. Such cases of illegal mining are reported to the local police by the concerned coal companies for appropriate action.

Letters to Ministry

3074. SHRI MOHAMMED AFZAL *alias* MEEM AFZAL: Will the Minister of Coal be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of letters written by the Members of Parliament to the Ministry during the period from 1st April, 1994 to 31st March, 1995:

(b) what is the number of letters acknowledged out of them;

(c) what is the number of letters in respect of which final replies where sent: and

(d) what is the break-up of final letters issued by the Ministry containing positive and negative replies respectively?